

## Introduced by Senator Soto

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An act to add Chapter 33 (commencing with Section 22949) to Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to grocery stores.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 777, as introduced, Soto. Grocery stores.

Existing law provides for the regulation of various businesses.

This bill would require a grocery store to have a cash register checkout area available for use by customers who are senior citizens where an employee is available to bag groceries.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 33 (commencing with Section 22949) is  
2 added to Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code, to  
3 read:

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5 CHAPTER 33. GROCERY STORES

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7 22949. (a) For purposes of this chapter, the following  
8 definitions apply:

9 (1) "Senior citizen" means a person who is 65 years of age or  
10 older.

11 (2) "Grocery store" means a store engaged primarily in the  
12 retail sale of packaged food, rather than food prepared for  
13 consumption on the premises.

- 1 22949.01. A grocery store shall have a cash register checkout
- 2 area available for use by customers who are senior citizens where
- 3 a grocery store employee is available to bag grocery items.